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SONIC

THE COMIC

**DOUBLE
SONIC!**

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STORY

FREE!

**SCRATCH
N' SNIFF
STICKER!**



PLUS

KNUCKLES!

**SONIC'S
WORLD!**

**THRILLING
CONK-LUSIONS!**

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FORTNIGHTLY

CONTROL ZONE



Hey, Boomers!

I thought a cheese sandwich had been left in the office until I remembered the Free scent-sational Scratch 'n' Sniff Sticker on the cover!

For a kick-off this issue sees three stories reach a conclusion. Plus - due to huge demand - there's a double dose of Sonic stories. Amazingly enough, the homes-who-think-they're-in-charge have taken notice of your pleas so read on ...

There's a scent of danger for Sonic in the final episode of Return of Chaotix! Sonic finds himself up against another mighty menace in the Odour Zone! Can it really be the end of the road for Knuckles in the final instalment of The Graveyard? Who nose the outcome of Sonic's World? Find out in the finale of Brute Force!

Not to be sniffed at is the UKCA (UK Comic Art Convention) photo special from last October, where you Boomers got to meet the STC team in the gruesome flesh! Well, there's another one due to take place in London on 3 March ...

Finally, get in the swim with STC's fishy Chopper Badnik pin-up, and practice air guitar in preparation for the Beavis & Butt-Head U-Zone.

Anyway, I'm off dear Boomers ... and so is that cheese sandwich!

prob badnik

SOMETHING OLD! SOMETHING NEW!

Coming your way in STC 73, the return of an old favourite fox, plus the start of a terrific new series. Optic circuits at the ready ...

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GALLUP



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MEGA DRIVE

- 1 ● FIFA SOCCER '96
- 2 NEW PREMIER MANAGER
- 3 ↓ MICRO MACHINES '96
- 4 ↑ PGA TOUR GOLF '96
- 5 ↓ MICKEY MANIA
- 6 ↓ MORTAL KOMBAT 3
- 7 ↓ SONIC AND KNUCKLES
- 8 ↓ THEME PARK
- 9 NEW BRIAN LARA CRICKET
- 10 NEW TAZ-MANIA: ESCAPE FROM MARS

MEGA-CD

- 1 ↑ EARTHWORM JIM
- 2 ↓ SOULSTAR
- 3 ↓ ETERNAL CHAMPIONS
- 4 ↑ MICKEY MANIA
- 5 ● BRUTAL: PAWS OF FURY
- 6 ↑ NBA JAM
- 7 ↑ WORLD CUP USA '94
- 8 ↓ SEGA CLASSICS
- 9 NEW TOMCAT ALLEY
- 10 NEW FIFA INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

MASTER SYSTEM

- 1 ● MICKEY MOUSE 2
- 2 ↑ ROBOCO P V TERMINATOR
- 3 ↓ JAMES POND 2 - ROBOCO D
- 4 ↑ THE LION KING
- 5 ● STREETS OF RAGE
- 6 ● ECCO THE DOLPHIN
- 7 ↓ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 8 ● SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
- 9 ● DESERT STRIKE
- 10 NEW STAR WARS

GAME GEAR

- 1 ↑ SONIC CHAOS
- 2 ↑ STAR TREK: GENERATIONS
- 3 ↓ THE LION KING
- 4 ↑ SONIC DRIFT RACING
- 5 ↓ DRAGON: THE BRUCE LEE STORY
- 6 ↑ MICRO MACHINES 2
- 7 ● REN AND STIMPY
- 8 ↓ CJ'S ELEPHANT ANTICS
- 9 ↓ DROPZONE
- 10 NEW BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD

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SONIC

THE ADVENTURE

The Return of Chaotix

Part 6

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ELITE DE VILLE

SONIC HAS RETURNED FROM HIS TIME TRAVELLING MISSION IN THE PAST.

HE NOW KNOWS THAT THE KEY TO DESTROYING THE BROTHERHOOD OF METALLIX IS DOCTOR ROBOTNIK.

THAT IS THE MOST RIDICULOUS STICKY I HAVE EVER HEARD!



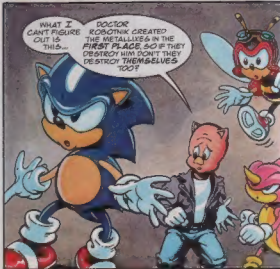
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ALL RIGHT LARD
BELLY!

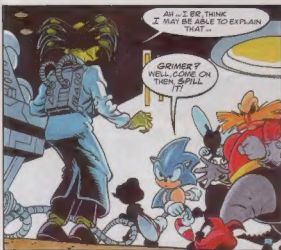
THE METALLIXES
WENT INTO THE PAST
TO STOP YOU EVER BEING
CREATED! SO YOU MUST
KNOW SOMETHING THAT
THEY'RE AFRAID
OF!



WHAT I
CAN'T FIGURE
OUT IS
THIS...

DOCTOR
ROBOTNIK CREATED
THE METALLIXES IN THE
FIRST PLACE, SO IF THEY
DESTROY HIM, DON'T THEY
DESTROY THEMSELVES
TOO?





AH... I BE THINK
I MAY BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN
THAT...

GRIMER?
WELL, COME ON
THEN, SPILL
IT!

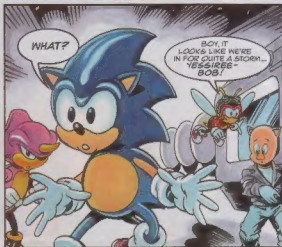


WELL, THE
THING IS YOU SEE,
IT WAS ME WHO CREATED
THE METALLIX BADNIKS...
THEY WERE MY
DESIGN!

HELPED
BY MY GENIUS,
GRIMER, YOU
SHIVELLING
CLOD!



OH YES,
DOCTOR ROBOTNIK
DESIGNED THE
SELF-DESTRUCT
PROGRAMME!



WHAT?

BOY, IT
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE
IN FOR QUITE A STORM...
YESSIREE-
BOB!



YOU MEAN TO SAY
YOU SENT ME AFTER THE
METALLIXES*... YOU RISKED
MY LIFE WHEN YOU COULD HAVE
DESTROYED THEM BY REMOTE
CONTROL?

* SEE 6TC 60-
MEGADROID



YES,
THAT'S RIGHT,
HEDESHOS! IT
WAS A GOLDEN
OPPORTUNITY!

I HOPED
THEY WOULD
DESTROY YOU
AND THEN I COULD
ACTIVATE THE
SELF-DESTRUCT
PROGRAMME!



WHY
I OUGHT
TO...



I SEE... THE METALLIKES CAN'T
REMOVE THE SELF-DESTRUCT PART
OF THEIR PROGRAMME SO THEY TRIED
TO STOP IT EVER BEING PUT THERE
IN THE FIRST PLACE!



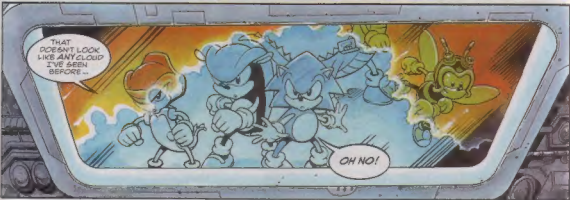
ROBOTHIX, THIS
WOULD BE A REAL
GOOD TIME TO RUN THAT
SELF-DESTRUCT
PROGRAMME!

YES... YES.
I SUPPOSE YOU'RE
RIGHT!



HEY, JUST
LOOK AT THE
SIZE OF THAT
CLOUD... WE'RE
IN FOR A
REAL DOWN-
FOUR...

CHARMY, WHAT
ARE YOU DRIVELLING
ON ABOUT?



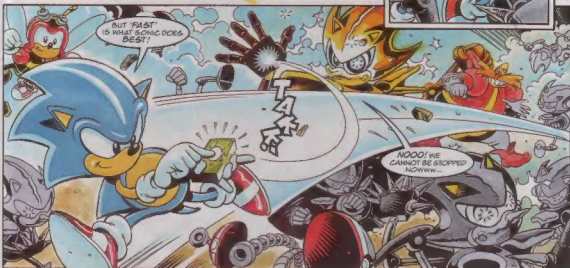
THAT
DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE ANY CLOUD
I'VE SEEN
BEFORE...

OH NO!

BLOTTING
OUT THE SUN
...
METALLIXES
...
THOUSANDS
OF THEM!









NEXT ISSUE: SONIC AND TAILS IN A SPIN!

UKCAC

STC'S CREW EXPOSED! ZONE

A fantastic time was had at the UK Comic Art Convention (UKCAC), held last October in London. Thank you to the hoards of Boomers who turned up to meet the STC team in the gruesome flesh (special thanks must go to Linda and Nyla Mehdi who had travelled overnight on the coach from Edinburgh!).

Artists created STC sketches on request and script writers kept on their toes with quick-fire questions; even the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge were put to work (for a change!). Check out the photos taken on the day, but be warned ... the event was such a success - it's all going to happen again!



Richard Elson, Sonic artist extraordinaire!



Nigel 'the Comic' Kitching



The Right Honourable Carl Flint.

Mark 3.00pm, Sunday, 3 March in your diaries and trek off to the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London WC1. There's FREE entry (for the STC event only), provided adult-humes are accompanied by children!

The panel will once again include Nigel Dobbryn, Richard Elson, Carl Flint, Nigel Kitching, Lew Stringer and Steve White.



Adam Stringer giving a thumbs up



Aud-Iteral Bridge



Daddy of them all, Richard B. (the one in the white shirt)



St. Louis girls
who read reader
Bischoff (who was just
passing)



Nigel, Dobby



Steve, White



... and Gary Knight

If you can't make it along, try your and enter the Name
The Artist Competition on the following page
Incidentally, the mystery artist will also be at
UKCAC)

Parents/adults/minders please note:

The UKCAC event is just part of the UK Comic Art Convention,
which will be a two day event with a lot of other things
and the UKCAC will be the main attraction. The UKCAC
is a charity and all the money raised for the day will go
towards the UKCAC.

Opposite the Institute of Education is the Royal National
Hotel where you will find dozens of stalls selling everything
from food and drink to books and toys. There will be a
large tent for the day.

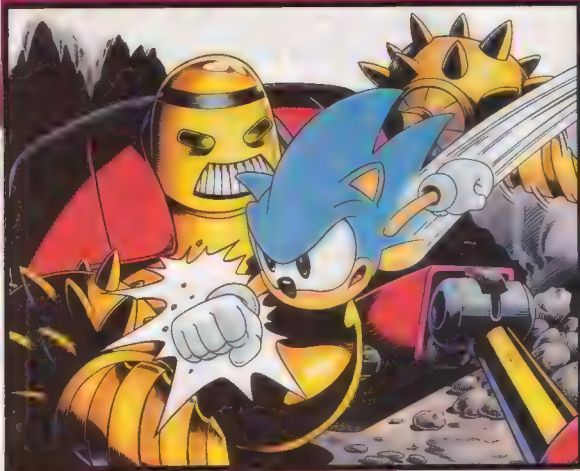
Please note that neither the UKCAC nor the Royal National
Hotel has anything to do with the event or the main
attraction.

If you have any queries please contact e-mail number
101345, 2422@compuserve.com



NAME THE ARTIST COMPO!

WIN! EXCLUSIVE ORIGINAL ARTWORK!



How would you like to own a page of original Sonic artwork? All you have to do to enter the Name The Artist Competition is simply answer the following question:

Name the STC artist who drew the page above?
 (Clue: he/she hasn't been mentioned in this feature, but will be at the forthcoming convention.)

Next, write your answer clearly on a postcard or sealed down envelope and post it to:

Name The Artist Compo
Sonic The Comic
25-31 Tavistock Place
London WC1H 9SU

Closing date: **Friday 29 March 1996**

The winning entry published in *Mega* magazine will win the place awarded here by *Sonic the Comic*. There's a cash prize too, and the lucky winner will be announced.

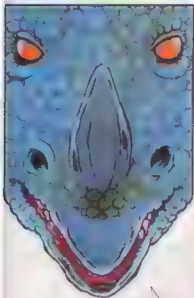


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THE WHITE A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE
AND A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE

THE WHITE A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE
AND A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE

CALL OFF THE DOG!
THE WHITE A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE
AND A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE



NO!
I'M NOT FROM
THE WHITE A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE
AND A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE



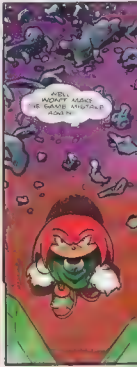
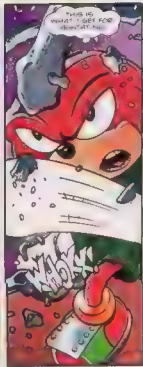
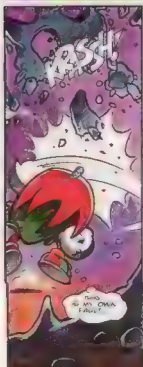
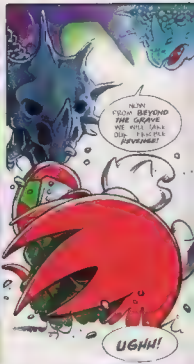
NO DEALS!
I'M NOT FROM
THE WHITE A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE
AND A WINDY WOODS... THE BLUE

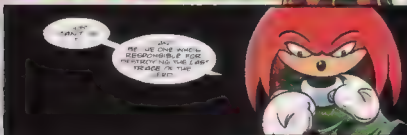
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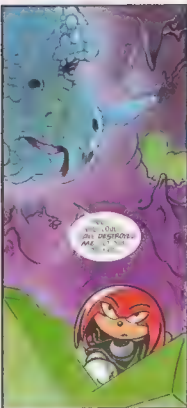
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The Graveyard

WILEY

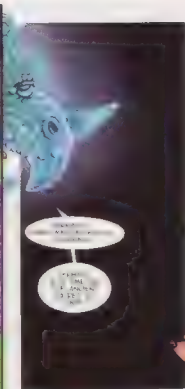
WILEY







"WELL, YOU
CAN DESTROY
ME, BUT NOT
THE WORLD."



"I'M NOT
GOING TO
LET YOU
WIN."

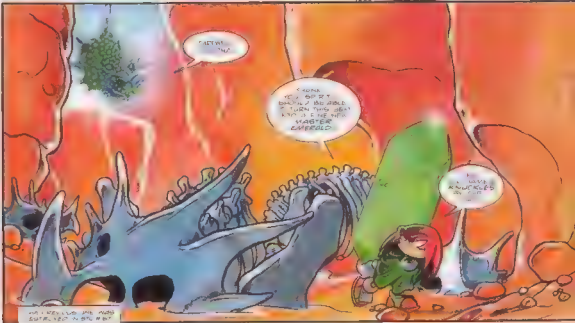
"I'M
NOT
GOING
TO LET
YOU
WIN."



"YOU
THE FUTURE
YOU WANT
AND NOT
PEACE."

"THANKS
TO YOU."

"BUT WE
WILL
NOT
LET YOU
WIN."



"I'M
NOT
GOING
TO LET
YOU
WIN."

"I'M
NOT
GOING
TO LET
YOU
WIN."

"I
WILL
NOT
LET
YOU
WIN."

"I
WILL
NOT
LET
YOU
WIN."



WELL,
I'VE BEEN UP
AMONG THE GREAT
UNDEAD OF MOUNTAIN
BURNING THE WILDS
IN PEACE

I CAN
HELP WITH MY
PEOPLE I HAVE
RETURNED TO THE
FLOODING ISLAND
THEY HAVE
BURNED THEM
- EGGHORN

PLANET MOBIUS TROUBLE COMES A-CALLING
AT THE MOST UNEXPECTED MOMENTS

BBRRMMM!

Odour Zone

WHAT ON MOBIUS
WAS THAT?

HOP FOR YOUR LIVES!
SOMETHING'S TEARING
THROUGH THE FOREST!

FORTUNATELY THERE'S ALWAYS A COOL, BLUE
MEDGEHOG AROUND WHEN YOU NEED HIM

WHAT'S
GOING ON?
HAS FOKKER
LEWIS BEEN
OUT JOGGING
AGAIN?

WORSE SONIC!
SOMETHING'S
BEEN TRASHING
EVERYTHING IN
ITS PATH!

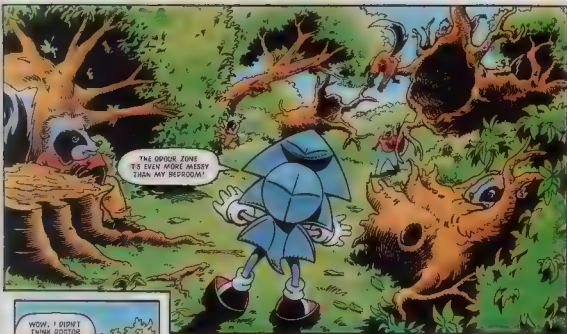
SMELLS TO ME LIKE THE WORK OF
BAD-EGG DOCTOR ROBOTNIK. I'LL CHECK
IT OUT. TAILS, YOU STAY HERE AND
HELP CLEAN UP

THANKS A
BUNCH!

DON'T MENTION
IT, PALL! CATCH
YOU LATER!

LOOKS LIKE THIS PATH IS LEADING FOR THE
HEART OF THE ODOUR ZONE! MAYBE THOSE
DUDS IN THE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
CAN SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS

PUSATIN
P-KELS.



THE ODDER ZONE
IT'S EVEN MORE MESSY
THAN MY BEDROOM!



WOW, I DIDN'T
THINK DOCTOR
ROBOTNIK WOULD
APPROACH YOU
LOT

KAFF! KAFF!
WE UNDERESTIMATED
ZEE RAT, MONSIEUR
SONEIK!



OUR LEADER ZEE GREAT MARCEL
BRUNK WAS CAUGHT BY ROBOTNIK'S
EVL. BADNIKS WHEN HE TRIED TO
SABOTAGE ZEE DOCTOR'S LAB

ZAT CRUEL - AND
POORLY-QUALIFIED SCIENTIST
THEN TURNED OUR BRAVE LEADER
INTO ZEE BIGGEST BADNIK
OF ZEM ALL!

SACRE BLEU! NOW GET
BREAKS MY HEART!



MMMM. I DON'T LIKE
THE IDEA OF A GIANT
ROBOT SKUNK WORKING
FOR THE BAD GUYS




GUESS IT'S UP TO
ME TO STOP HIM

GANGWAAAY!



ZUT ALORS! . SALUTE
SONNEK ZEE HEDGEGOG
IN ZEE NAME OF ZEE
„UNDERGROUND
MOVEMENT“

BERTRAND! REMOVE
YOUR BERET WHEN YOU
SAY ZEE NAME OF ZEE
„REAT SPIKEY ONE“



„MONSIEUR SONNEK ZEE HEDGEGOG IS AN
INSPIRATION TO HEROES EVERYWHERE“

GO! GO! GO!

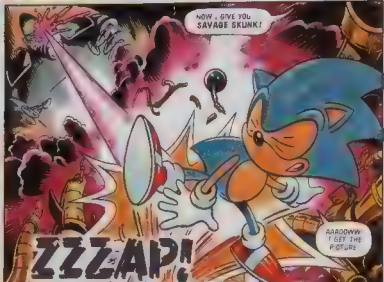
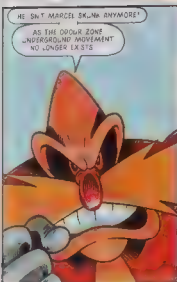
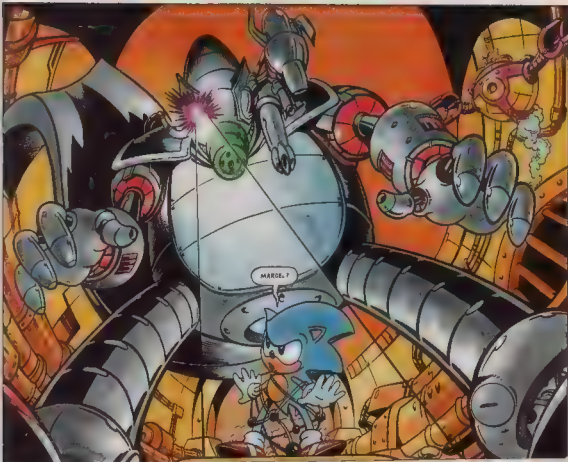


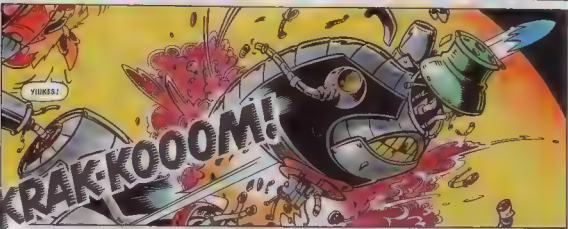
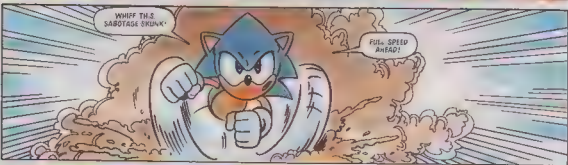
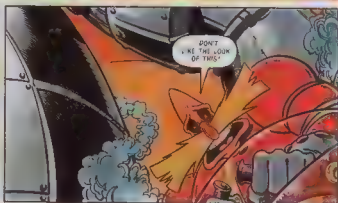
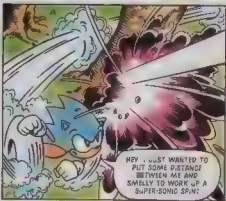
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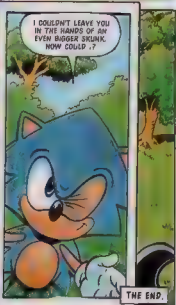
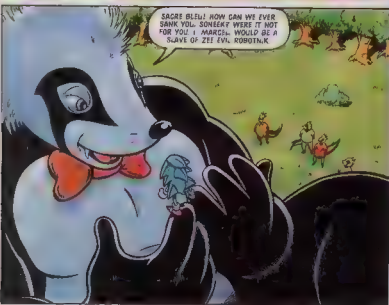
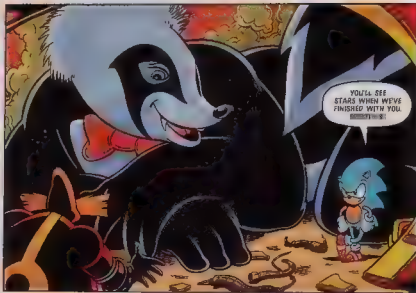


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WELCOME TO THE LAST
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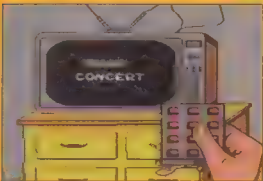
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NEXT ISSUE: MORE MEGA DRIVE GAME TIPS!

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SONIC'S WORLD

Brute Force

Written by LEO KIMBLE and SAM KYLE
Character Design by LEO KIMBLE and SAM KYLE

EVIL ROBOT BRUTUS SECOND IN COMMAND TO DOCTOR ROBOTNIK WAS DISCOVERED THE LOCATION OF THE EMERALD HILL FOLK THEIR NEW ATTACK IN THE

THEY'RE ON THE FLOATING ISLAND! PREPARE AN INVASION FORCE

YES COMMANDER

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT? I NEVER TOLD YOU

IT WAS EASY! I USED MY MIND SCANNER TO ABSORB A COPY OF YOUR BRAIN PATTERNS

NOW ONEAKI

NOW I KNOW SECRETS EVEN ROBOTNIK IS NOT AWARE OF WHICH MAKES ME THE MOST POWERFUL INDIVIDUAL ON THE PLANET!



MEANWHILE, AT CITADEL ROBOTNIK THE OTHER MOST POWERFUL INDIVIDUAL ON THE PLANET IS FAR FROM HAPPY.

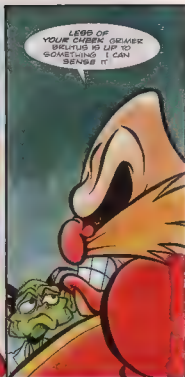
GRIMER! ANY NEWS OF COMMANDER BRUTUS YET?

N-NO, DOCTOR! WE CAN'T TRACE HIM!

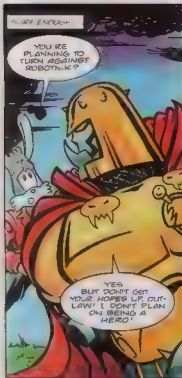


BRUTUS HAS BECOME TOO DISOBEDIENT! IT'S TIME I GAVE HIM A PIECE OF MY MIND!

ER YOU ALREADY DID THAT SIR WHEN YOU PROGRAMMED HIM WITH YOUR PERSONAL ALITY!



LESS OF YOUR CHEEK GRIMER BRUTUS IS UP TO SOMETHING I CAN SENSE IT



W-ARE ENOUGH

YOU'RE PLANNING TO TURN AGAINST ROBOTNIK?

YES BUT DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP, OUT-LAW! I DON'T PLAN ON BEING A HERO!

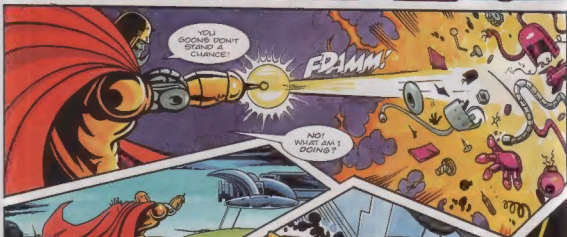


WHEN I ATTACK THE FLOATING ISLAND, PEOPLE WILL FEAR ME! THEY'LL LOSE RESPECT FOR ROBOTNIK AND I WILL BE THE NEW KULER OF MOBILUS



SOMEBOW I GET THE FEELING THAT WON'T BE A GOOD THING FOR ANY OF US









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SEEING RED!

Dear STC,

I am an angry Tails fan who is sick of seeing the most over-hyped character in Sega history ... Knuckles! The only Tails ever gets featured is as a complete wimp, compared to you know who! You might as well change the title to KTC (Knuckles the Comic).

Sarah Rose, Walkden, Manchester.
MD Owner.

Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



Thanks for the suggestion, Sarah ... I don't suppose you'll buy a copy of the Knuckles Special then? Look out for the next Tails adventure which begins next issue!



Tails in a rather fetching outfit!
Please write in with full address.

BOOMING MAD!

Dear Megadroid,

I had hoped that after the STC re-design, you would put an end to calling your readers 'Boomers'!

Ryan Bass, Milton Keynes.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



Well now Boomer Bass, STC's original editor-hume, Big Chief Burton, invented the phrase which came from 'Sonic Boom'. Dare I ask what you'd prefer STC readers to be called?

Does Sarah Rose (see left) know your full 're-Action' Gemma Tibbs, Billericay, Essex.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



PLUNDER CLAP!

Dear Megadroid,

A long time ago you said that Captain Plunder would be coming back! As this comic strip started back in STC 50, don't you think it's time he appeared? If it does happen I might just applaud STC!

Alex Hose, Langport, Somerset.
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It just so happens, Alex, that Captain Plunder returns in issue 74 for a brand new Knuckles story.

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